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Accompanying this Information Disclosure Statement and form PTO-1449 are copies of the documents w/English Abstract. Document AB is are mentioned on page 1 of the substitute specification.

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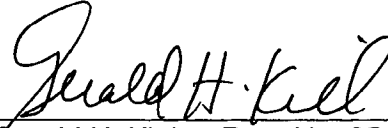
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